

Resignation of Pumping Station Threatens Future of Capital City League

PUMPERS MAY PLAY INDEPENDENT BALL

Manager Moeller Declares Pumpers Will Play Separately If Barred From Columbia League—Commission Will Take Action.

"If the amateur commission will not allow us to withdraw from the Capital City League and we are not allowed to enter the Columbia League, the Pumping Station team will play independent ball for the rest of the season," said Manager Moeller, of the Pumping Station team today.

"Some weeks ago we wanted to get out of the league. There were a number of reasons. First, because we understand the Seamen Gunners have been playing games without a single man registered under contract with the amateur commission. The Gunners have now withdrawn, and during the past three weeks practically no one has been in attendance at the games," continued Manager Moeller.

The Pumping Station leader said his team had been wanting to get into the Columbia League for some time, and had been asked to enter. The fact that the Gunners had withdrawn and the Capital City circuit appeared to be on the rocks for the past few weeks finally brought the team to its decision.

The matter will be taken up with the amateur commission at the first opportunity and the Pumpers will in all probability state their case. George Cornell, who has the interest of the Cornell company team did not know anything about the withdrawal of the Pumping Station team. He stated that he had been given assurances that the teams would remain in the league.

It has been known for some time that the Capital City League games have been drawing poorly. The attendance has brought little or no revenue into the coffers of the league and improvements made this year and last season have not been paid for by what little has been taken at the gate.

The Cornell Company team, many times winner of the pennant in the Capital City League, and looked upon this year as the logical candidate for the city championship and the right to meet the winners of the other cities in the intercity series, may not be able to enter the post-season games.

The Cornell Company team has obtained a big lead in the Capital City League and is far ahead on strength shown this season. In former years the Tigers have shown strength and have not been the most popular team in the city. It is said this year that the team is practically unbeatable in the circuit and for this reason other teams are said to be afraid of the leader.

At the present time it begins to look

bad for the Capital City circuit, for players are not to be obtained at this time, for the reason that they have signed with other teams in different leagues. Managers have gotten together teams which are making a race for the pennant in other leagues, and are loath to let men out.

The Columbia League, though weak in one or two clubs, comes forth with the announcement of a strengthening of Kensington. Vice-resident L. J. H. of the Columbia circuit, says Kensington will be managed by H. A. Piler, and that the team is to be on hand in all future scheduled contests. With the bolstering up of the team it is thought that the Pumping Station team will have difficulty in getting into the circuit.

Austin, Peake, Heald, Perry, Montgomery, and Bennett, of the champion Technical High School team, will shortly appear in Herald uniforms in the Northern Association. Austin was the unanimous choice for the all-high school selection as pitcher, and should make a good running mate for Eddie Thompson, who is creating a record in the circuit. Austin is too good a hitter to be kept on the bench to wait a turn in the box. The other players are above the standard of high school players, and should make good in the circuit.

Another good game has been scheduled for May 30, the teams meeting at the American League Park. American Security and Trust and the Navy Yard team will play in the afternoon. Both teams have been going along at a good clip in their respective circuits, and an exceptionally good contest has been assured.

Several changes in the roster of teams is due in the Government League, which numbers many players from other leagues under the commission. The Government League has been given time to allow the players to show their preference.

The admission of the Government League and the probable entry of the Treasury League into the field of the amateur commission is plunging Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Shurtliff into another day's work. It is doubtful if the amateurs appreciate the work these two have done for the cause.

"Rajah" to Work.

The St. Louis Cardinals look 100 per cent better when Roger Bresnahan is on the job. When "Rajah" is again able to work behind the bat the Cards' percentage should rise like a thermometer in a boiler room.

BINGLES AND BUNTS

By Grantland Rice.

Three years ago C. Webb Murphy arose and announced that he would never make the mistake of holding on to his veterans until they had gone back too far to win. "I'll profit by past examples along this line," quoth Mr. Murphy, "and begin to rebuild in time." The Cub machine is still intact, with every veteran in his place. But it may not have gone back, for C. Webb, according to reports, "is still confident that the Cubs will win the 1912 flag." Consider the race closed and over. Marquard's nine straight victories are in vain.

McGraw's Guess.

New York first—Pittsburgh second—and Cincinnati third—is J. McGraw's ultimate guess as to the ultimate finish.

The Giant leader believes that when Adams, O'Toole, Camnitz, and Hendrix hit their stride the Pirates will forge forward as runners up in the N. L. debate. He concedes Mr. O'Day a place in the first division, but the highly repugnant idea of being beaten out by an umpire is no longer troubling his mid-day dreams.

Tough Year on Talent.

This has been a tough year on pitching talent once rated at the top. Russ Ford, Alexander, Nap Rucker, Miner Brown, Bob Harmon, and quite a few others have had the deuce of a time obtaining any sort of a toe hold in victorious soil.

The ten years' war between Mathewson and Brown is over. The tri-taloned marvel swapped punches with "Big Six" through many a campaign, but Mordecai the Mighty is no longer a rival. In the downfall of the pitchers only Mathewson and Walsh have hung on from the old guard who were on top of the mound seven years ago. And Walsh is just beginning to pitch.

While the Colonel has never expressed himself regarding the action of the other T. R.—I. e., Tyrus Raymond—we believe that he sympathizes with his namesake. Our idea of no one to bowl out is none other than these T. R.'s—whatsoever the league.

The Game.

Let's play it out—this little game called Life

Where we are listed for so brief a spell;
Not just to win, amid the tumult rife
Or where acclaim and gay applause swell;
Not just to conquer, where some one must lose
Or reach the goal, whatever be the cost;
For there are other, better ways to choose
Though in the end the conflict may be lost.

Let's play it out—this little game called Work
Or War or Love of what part each may draw;
Play with the smash that scorns to quit or shirk
Because the break may carry some deep flaw;
Not simply holding that the goal is all
Which keeps the player in the contest staying—
But stick it out from curtain rise to fall
As if the game itself were worth the playing.

Beyond Change.

To composing rooms—leave these headlines set—

"CORNELL WINS BOAT RACE."

"MARQUARD GRABS ANOTHER."

"WALSH SAVES WHITE SOX."

"SPEAKER DRIVES IN WINNING RUN."

Col. C. Hesperus Ebbetts is well keyed over his new ball park, and rightly so; but isn't it time some close personal friend was whispering to him about a new team?

Bandits Take on Cincinnati Today

Kid Casey's Bandits will go up against the Cincinnati team today with a slightly changed line-up. King Brady will pitch and McDonald will catch. The game which the Ohioans took from the Washington aggregation by 6 to 3 was the first that the local team had played since its reorganization and the players were neither used to each other nor the field.

Owen and McDonald were the battery for Washington and they worked well together, considering the fact that it was their first game.

"Bugs" Raymond rather fell down for Cincinnati, he having been taken out of the box in the third session. Danet took up the work for the visitors and held the bandits to no scores for the remainder of the fray.

Olsen Is Deposed for Engaging in "Scrap" With Willie Mitchell

CLEVELAND, May 27.—Ivan Olsen is no longer the captain of the Naps, although Manager Davis denies the story that he has been deposed. Olsen, it is said, took a punch at Willie Mitchell during the Boston series. The players, according to the story of one of them, held an indignation meeting and insisted that Manager Davis reduce Olsen to the ranks of the privates. Joe Birmingham is slated to succeed Olsen.

Canoe Club Contemplates An All-Day Outing

The National Capital Canoe Club is today extending invitations to canoe owners and members of other clubs to take part in the all-day outing which will be held at Glen Echo Sunday, June 2.

The club proposes to start from Dempsey's boathouse and proceed up the canal to Glen Echo, returning later at night. The canoeists will hold a picnic affair which will include open races for which prizes will be given. Information may be obtained from W. C. Greeley at the Patent Office further details.

Wolgast Takes Rest.

Ad Wolgast will take a long rest, as his recent bout with Willie Ritchie convinced him that he was weak.

BOB THAYER'S SPORTING GOSSIP

"EVERY KNOCK IS A BOOST."

The big deal went through.

With a day's rest for all hands, except Manager Griffith, who went up to Montreal to get Gandil, and John Henry, who took a trip to Amherst, Mass., to talk things over with Vernon, the Amherst College star pitcher, the Nationals are prepared to get into the fray with renewed vigor today. The new deal is bound to affect the players and make them hustle harder.

Henry scouts for pitcher.

Gandil's advent as a National will cause considerable interest. The Montreal first sacker has been tried in the big league before and was shipped for further seasoning. Griffith has been fortunate with the players now on the team, who have made good after big league trials. Moeller and Foster have done wonderful work on their comeback performances and there is no reason to doubt but that Gandil will also make the running.

Nationals' mascot is better.

Dan Moeller is worse off than was reported and the fleet left fielder may be out of the game for the week. Moeller has just struck his stride, and was going along at a great rate in the field, at the bat, and on the bases, and his layoff is to be generally regretted. Shanks will have the opportunity of his life for the next few days.

Cobb returns to the game.

It is not without the bounds of possibility that Eppa Rixey may be in a National uniform this year, and John Henry may be successful in getting Vernon, of Amherst, to cast his lot with the Nationals. If any one is able to land the Amherst man it is Henry, for he knows Vernon well and is an instructor at Amherst during the winter.

"Tug" Fury is captain.

Just because we lose three games in a row is no reason why the general complaint of "I-told-you-so" bugs should get out the hammer and start knocking the team. It might be well to notice that Griffith lost no time after the third straight defeat in making tracks for the remedy to the weakness in the team. Griffith apparently knows what he is about.

Pumpers withdraw.

It is to be hoped that Washington track men are not going to give the

Municipal games the go-by such as the Baltimore men have done with the Central Y. M. C. A. games. The right sort of campaigning now will insure a banner meet for the Fourth of July. The fact that the South Atlantic championships were not held this year may have something to do with the attitude of the athletes in Baltimore.

Good-by, Buck Becker.

Just because Nilsson, of Stockholm, broke the discus throw record on Saturday, at the Olympic tryouts, James H. Duncan, of New York, showed what American athletes are capable of doing when he exceeded Nilsson's throw by 12 feet 3 inches, breaking the world's record. Three world's records were shattered at the Celtic Park games yesterday, the 5,000 meter and the 1,500 meter runs getting new marks. Kiviat took the measure of the peerless Mel Shepherd, but broke the record doing it.

Another chance today.

It is to be hoped that the Capital City league teams patch up their difficulties and get all teams into line to finish the season. There appears to be a nigger in the wood pile, as the teams are not content to remain in the league. At this time, when everything looks rosy for the amateur commission, a mountain of trouble seems to rise which is not easy of solution.

World's records fall.

Exceptional tennis with perfect weather should mark an auspicious opening at Chevy Chase today for the first rounds in the tennis matches in the invitation tourney. Some of the best players in the country are taking part in the tournament, which should be the best in the history of the club.

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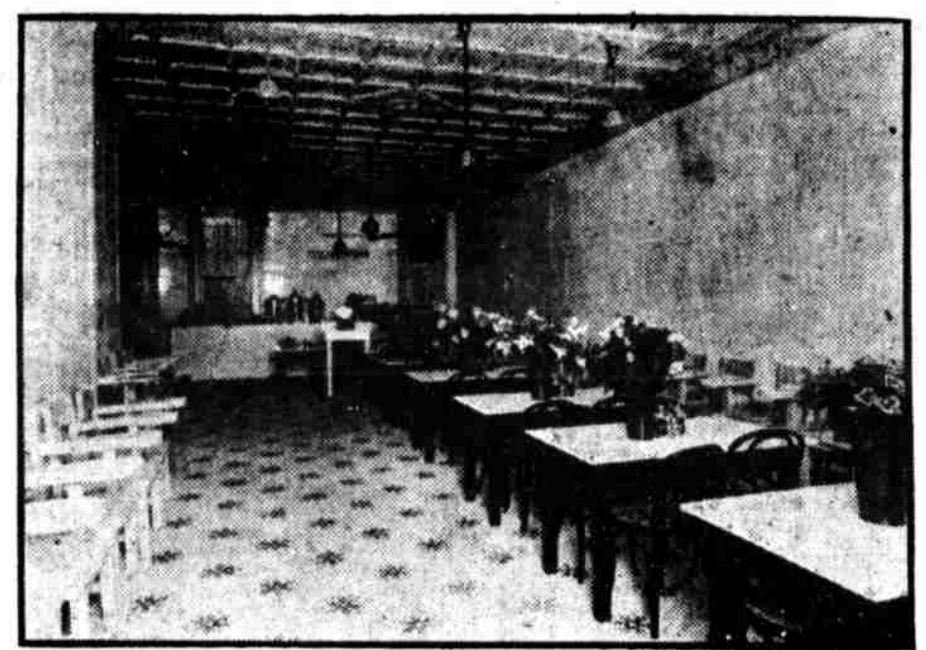
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